

Affidavit of Publication

County of Sevier, State of Utah, ss.

I, KEVIN ASHBY, being first
duly sworn, depose and say tht I am the Publisher of the
SALINA SUN, a weekly newspaper having a bona fide
circulation more than 200 subscribers in the State of Utah,
published every Wednesday at Salina, Sevier County, Utah;

That the notice of Tentative Approval of the
Mining and Reclamation Plan Submitted by
Western Clay Company...

a copy of which is attached hereto, was published in said
paper for 1 consecutive issues, the first
publication having been made in the issue of the
31 day of July, 1985, and
the last publication in the issue of the _____
day of _____, 19 ____; that the said notice
was published in the regular and entire issue of every
number of said paper during the period of times and
publication, and that the same was published in the
newspaper proper and not in a supplement.

Kevin Ashby

Subscribed and sworn before me this 7th day
of August, 19 85.

Elaine H. Alfred

Notary Public

My Residence is Salina, Sevier County, Utah

My Commission Expires January 22, 1986

NOTICE OF TENTATIVE AP- PROVAL

DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND
MINING DEPARTMENT OF
NATURAL RESOURCES IN AND
FOR THE STATE OF UTAH

IN THE MATTER OF TENTATIVE
APPROVAL OF THE MINING AND
RECLAMATION PLAN SUBMITTED
BY WESTERN CLAY COMPANY,
SEVIER COUNTY, UTAH

THE STATE OF UTAH TO ALL
OPERATORS, TAKERS OF
PRODUCTION, MINERAL AND
ROYALTY OWNERS, AND
PARTICULARLY ALL PERSONS
INTERESTED IN SECTION 2,
TOWNSHIP 21 SOUTH, RANGE 1
WEST, SEVIER COUNTY, UTAH.

Notice is hereby given that
tentative apapproval was given by
the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining,
on July 19, 1985 to a mining plan
modification for Western Clay
Company to extend surface mining
operations in Section 2, Township
21 South, Range 1 West, Sevier
County, Utah.

Western Clay Company
currently has a four-acre mining
operation in a different part of the
same section which received a
mining permit in 1983. The name
of the proposed mining operation is
the Redmond Bentonite Pit
modification and the person
representing the company is Mr.
Tom Chivers, P.O. Box 1067,
Aurora, Utah 84620.

Western Clay Company has
fulfilled obligations under the Utah
Mined Land Reclamation Act of
1975 (Section 40-8, UCA 1953 as
amended) with specific reference
to Section 40-8-18 and will employ
the following mining and
reclamation techniques on
approximately 8.5 acres of state
land.

During Operations:

1. The bentonite clay deposit
being mined occurs on the surface
and thus does not require
explosives to mine. It sometimes
requires ripping. The clay is mined
with a front-end loader and loaded
into a truck for transportation to a
processing plant in Aurora, Utah.

2. There will be no structure
on site.

3. Any topsoil or overburden
present will be removed for
reclamation purposes.

4. Runoff from the minesite
will be contained in two catch
basins. Any water collecting in the
pit will be pumped so as to flow into
the catch basins.

Following operations:

1. All trash and debris will be
cleaned up.

2. Slopes will be regraded to a
stable configuration.

3. Soil material will be
reapplied, harrowed and drill
seeded with a mixture adapted to
the area.

4. Test plots have been
implemented to help determine the
best methods for successful
reclamation.

Any person or agency
aggrieved by this tentative decision
is hereby requested to submit
written protest within thirty (30)
days of the date of publication to
the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining,
355 W. North Temple, 3 Triad
Center, Suite 350, Salt Lake City,
Utah 84180-1203, setting forth
factual reasons for his or her
complaint, and thereafter, at a time
and place to be established, appear
before the Board of Oil, Gas and
Mining to show cause, if any, why
this mine plan should not be
approved.

DATED this 22nd day of July
1985.

STATE OF UTAH
DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND
MINING

Marjorie L. Anderson
Administrative Assistant

Published in THE SALINA SUN
July 31, 1985.

RECEIVED

AUG 12 1985

DIVISION OF OIL
GAS & MINING